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Board of Commissioners Policy

Septic Health Initiative Program

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Septic Tank Inspection and Pumping Program - Staff is to contract with independent inspectors to perform septic tank inspections. The inspection form will document the condition of the septic system. Staff will contact the homeowner and advise them of the results of the inspection and the need to pump the tank.

Staff is to "open up" the program to all septic tank pumpers and expand the pumping program from 8 months (September - April) to an 11 month program (July - May). In order to receive a \$30.00 water credit, the homeowner is only to send to the Town proof that the tank was pumped. Water credits are valid for 90 days from issuance.

Repair/Replacement Loan Program - The cost for repair/replacement loans is increased to \$5,000. For both owner occupied homes and non-owner occupied homes, the loan rate is prime less 2.5% but the resultant loan rate shall not be less than 2%. Loans are to be repaid at least monthly and for up to three (3) years.

Septic system repairs under the Loan Program - Upon request from the Deputy Director of Planning and Development, or his designee, the Town shall issue the loan repair check made out to both the applicant and the contractor who performed the work. Endorsement from both is required.

It shall be a policy of the Town of Nags Head not to offer loans to homeowners for the repair or replacement of septic systems on oceanfront or estuarine properties where the septic system has been storm damaged or damaged as a result of erosion.